HARRY WILLS, HEAVYWEIGHT CONTENDER, STARTED CAREER AS A JOCKEY

COLORED CHAMPION TELLS HIS STORY

Wants to Become the Hope of the Black Race, He

HAS UNIQUE AMBITION

Wants Title to Show Negro Could Hold It With Dignity.

By W. O. MCGEEHAN.

Who is Harry Wills, the "Black Panther" and challenger for the heavy-weight championship of the world? We know that he is a formidable ringman with the pistonlike drive of a Fitzaimmons behind his punches. But what is behind that inscrutable ringmask that Wills wears in the ring? If by chance he should beat Jack Dempsey—personally I do not think it possible—would he be another Jack Johnson, another Emperor Jones?

Harry Wills has tried to tell me about himself. He speaks in the argot

about himself. He speaks in the argot of the ring and the racetrack, but of the ring and the racetrack, but sometimes he attains a simple eloquence. Simply put, the ambition of Harre Wills, boxer and stevedore, is to be the hope of the black race. His version of that role is exactly the opposite to that of Jack Johnson. He would win the title and wear it when he returned to the docks to work as a stavedore to prove that a man of his stevedore to prove that a man of his race could attain power and not go

to me after he told me that the best

Collegians Prominent on Basketball Court



I stay idle I get out of condition. I never made any money that would let me take a long rest anyhow, and I am not craving any rest.

"My first job was at the racetrack. You wouldn't believe it te look at me, but I was a jockey in 1902. I weighed only ninety pounds then. Look at me now, weighing over 200. I have been growing all the time, and I'm still growing. I rode under the name of Wille Bonham. No, I don't care for the racetrack any more. I'd sooner do a man's work.

"My folks in New Orleans were nice folks. I went to public school and I had a nice bringing up. My mother is still in New Orleans. I wanted her to come to New York, where I live, but she won't leave home. We got lots of folks in New Orleans. Me, I like New York, and I'm going to live here, and my wife likes it too."

I do not want you to gather the impression that I credit Harry Wills with being a colored evangeliat or that he is trying to give that impression. I believe him to be homest and more er less human. I think those sorrowful eyes could roll with laughter, and I think that Harry could address the twin dice with mybogrite.

"What chance do I think I have with Dempsey?" he asked. "Well, I have a chance with anybody I hit. If Dempsey?" he asked. "Well, I have a chance with anybody I hit. If Dempsey?" hits me first—well, then, I don't know. But I certainly would like to have the chance.

"He is a great fighter, Dempsey is, I saw him to the Wing for the world, and in the pression would be company to the wing the proper law would be company to the wing the proper law would be company to the world, and in the Philadelphia tournament for the profession that it can be a company to the world, and in the Philadelphia tournament for the profession that it can be a company to the world and in the Philadelphia tournament for the profession that it can be a company to the world and in the Philadelphia tournament for the profession that it can be a company to the profession that it can be a company to the profession that it can be a company to the pr

sercise that right Conti will be the next talent on the Continent.

It could always hit, and I keep practicing to hit.

If want to get this match because I never made any real big money boxing. The best I ever got was ten 'grand' for the fight with Fulton. It isn't very easy for colored fighters to get any kind of money.

"Take the time I was fighting Bill Tate out in Portland, Ore. I never rold about that because people would say I was a squawker or a copper, and I was a first of make you popular. You know Bill is afraid of me. He holds and he runs and he runs and he holds."

"Well, in the first round I hit Bill up and he disqualifies me. Then held you work and I would live well—rise well up and he disqualifies me. Then held you have to fight again. So we fought again, and if we wanted the money we would have to fight again. So we fought again, and if we wanted the money we would have to fight again. So we fought again, and I was a first of to the colored papel wanted to be kind when he came back from jail, the process of the colored papel wanted to be kind him when he came back from jail, the process of the colored papel wanted to be kind him when he came back from jail, the process of the process of

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The Horemans-Cochran exhibition partnership, which has been active since the end of the Chicago tournament November 23, will terminate Wednesday. Cochran will go to Chéago, Horemans contemplated a visit to South America during the summer, which will be winter below the equator, but abandoned the project because of discouraging advices from Argentina.

secretary.

March 19-Lynn Kennel Club, at Lynn,
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Springfield, Ill. H. A. Uterman, secretary.

March 29-Chicago Bulldog Club, at
Chicago, Ill. Charles F. Lew, secretary. March 30-April I-Chicago Kennel Club, at Chicago, III. Entries close March 13,

BASKETBALL POINT RACE PROVES CLOSE

Five Collegians Have Chance to Finish at Top of Standing.

gle for the championship in the Inter-collegiate Basketball League this season unusual interest has been awakened the race for the high scoring honors An unprecedented situation exists at present among the six teams in the race, in the sense that no outstanding scorer appears among those who top the list. In fact any one of five players who are now crowding each other for the honors may emerge finally with the highest total of points in the league.

No particular reason exists for the present condition except that the majority of the teams in the league are blessed with an accurate foul shooter. It is to be noted that each of the leading scorers shoulders the burden of free throw shooting for his own team. Perhaps it is for this reason that high scoring records have meant so little in the intercollegiate league. The race has almost always been limited to the few players who are the foul shooters for their respective teams. list. In fact any one of five players

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Only Grave Will Graduate.

Under the present system the tonheavy scoring list is due to exist again next season, for the reason that Cullen, Loob, Pulleyn, Luther, who with Grave constitute the leading quintet of scorers, have at least one more year left in college competition.

Bill Grave is the only member of this monopolistic group who takes his sheep in the swar las worn the colors of the Red and Blue varsity for three years. The rangy center matriculated from Springfield High School of Massachusetts in 1818, and has had in that time almost uninterrupted success. Followers of the game have been accustomed to hearing of decisive victories for New York University was represented by the officials before the regular time limit was reached. In no case, however, was any real damage done to a consers, have at least one more year left in college competition.

In the 115 pound class Latta, Navy, outparted and outfought Holmes, queens, from the start, and had him hat had in that time almost uninterrupted success. Followers of the game have been accustomed to hearing of decisive victories for New York University. Yet this season saw the Violet bow to opponents on five occasions. West limit was reached. In no case, however, was any real damage done to a conserve has worn the colors of the Red and Blue varsity for three years. The rangy center matriculated from Springfield High School of Massachusetts in 1818, and has had in that time almost uninterrupted success. Followers of the game have been accustomed to hearing of decisive victories for New York University. Yet this season saw the Violet bow to opponents on five cocasions. West look of the first four heart shape, boxing in whether they were overmached or not. As an indicase the one start and in that time almost uninterrupted success. Followers, School or the tensor in great shape, boxing in whether they were overmached or not. As an indicase the observing the first four between consti

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two extra three minute periods. The summary:

120 POUND CLASS—Carmouche, Army, defeated Schwarzbach, Leiligh, by a fall in the second of two extra three minute periods.

125 POUND CLASS—Warriner, Lehigh, defeated Pierce, Army, by time advantage of 1 minute 38 seconds.

135 POUND CLASS—Gibon, Lehigh, defeated Williams, Army, by a fall in the first of two of extra three minute periods.

145 POUND CLASS—Gabout, Lehigh, defeated Rogers, Lehigh, by a forfeiture.

138 POUND CLASS—Carliste, Lehigh, defeated Stewart, Army, by a fall.

175 POUND CLASS—Carliste, Lehigh, defeated Douthit, Army, time advantage of 2 minutes 84 seconds, two extra periods.

UNLIMITED CLASS—Greene, Army, defeated Moorehouse, Lehigh, by a fall in the second of two extra three minute periods.

Marty Farrell Victor.

Staten Island Bouts.

Larry Goldberg and Joie Leon, New York bantamweights, will meet in the star bout of twelve rounds at the Staten Island Collingual Comparison of Staten Island and Charlle Smilel of New York will meet in the eight round semi-final. They are lightweights,

Wrestler Beats Boxer in a Mixed Contest

OPLIN, Mo., March 11 .- A mid

JOPLIN, Mo., March 11.—A middleweight wrestler gained the decision over a middleweight boxe; in a mixed contest here last night in which each resorted to tactics of his own profession. The bout ended in the sixth round, when the wrestler pinned the boxer to the mat for the second time.

The participants were "Strong Boy" Price, Eldorado, Kan., wrestler, and "Sailor" Adams, local boxer.

Adams sent Price to the mat for a count on four occasions, but the wrestler came back each time. Price gained his first fall after forty seconds in the second round. His second fall came after 2 minutes and 45 seconds of the sixth round.

CANADA YIELDS TO NAVY IN THE RING

ican Legion. The proceeds will be devoted to the fund for the Tuberculosis Camp, the Disabled Veterans of the World War and the American Legion Employment Bureau.

Blair Academy defeated Adelphi Academy to Brooklyn, 21 to 3. In a game that went to an extra period St. Benedict defeated Bjair Academy in basicetball here this afternoon, 37 to 28.

C. C. N. Y. FIVE HAS BEST LOCAL RECORD

Only Metropolitan College to Live Up to Season's

Expectations.

The basketball season, just about over left very little in the way of glory for the colleges in the metropolitan district. tions with whom in recent years victory after victory had become habitual ocre college fives as the result of repeated defeats. Moreover, Columbia, whose basketball teams in the past few asons have met defeat more than not, has loyally lived up to this precedent.

In the quintet at the City College we No particular reason exists for the present condition except that the majority of the teams in the league are blessed with an accurate foul shooter. It is to be noted that each of the leading scorers shoulders the burden of free throw shooting for his own team. Perhaps it is for this reason that high scoring records have meant so little in the intercollegiate league. The race has almost always been limited to the few players who are the foul shooters for their respective teams.

If the rule which permits one piayer to shoot the fouls for his entire team were not in vogue in the leading scorers to-day, with the exception of the leading scorers to-day, with the exception of the court this season by a combination whose team majority of Eastern basketball teams. Among their victims the City College five numbers Princeton twice, Columbia, Syracuse, New York University, West Virginia and several others. At City College the team which has just finished and according to the Naval Academy met the pick of Canadian collegians here this afternoon and won by five bouts to two. The visitors were picked from McGill, which whom the match was originally scheduled, University of Toronto and Queens College, and included most of the intercollegiate of Pennsylvania, would occupy his present position in the race. Miller of Dartmouth and Huntzinger and Grave of Pennsylvania, would occupy his present position in the lead in the matter of goal shooting from scrim-

to stave off defeat until the last round.
The summary:

115 POUNDS—Latta. Naval Academy, wen from Holmes, Queens. Bout stepped by Afferese in second round.

125 POUNDS—Gray, Toronto, won from Sebalal, Naval Academy. Bout stopped by referse in third round.

125 POUNDS—Orangel. Naval Academy. Stevens Tech and Rutgers, the two Servers in third round.

126 POUNDS—Orangel. Naval Academy, won from Shackell. McGill. Bout stopped by referse in second round.

127 POUNDS—Deach, Naval Academy, won from Brackell. McGill. Bout stopped by referse in second round.

128 POUNDS—Leach, Naval Academy, won from Hill.

129 POUNDS—Deach, Naval Academy, won from Schalals.

130 POUNDS—Black, Toronto, won from Zotti, Naval Academy, won from McMalan, Toronto, three rounds.

131 POUNDS—Black, Toronto, won from Schalals.

132 POUNDS—Orangel. Naval Academy, won from Schalals.

133 POUNDS—Orangel. Naval Academy, won from Brackell. McGill. Bout stopped by referse in second round.

148 POUNDS—Black, Toronto, won from Zotti, Naval Academy, won from McMalans, McGill.

158 POUNDS—Flack, Toronto, won from Schalals, Reference—Frank McGill. Bout stopped by referse in second round.

169 POUNDS—Hack, Toronto, won from Zotti, Naval Academy, won from McMalans, McGill.

179 POUNDS—Orangel. Naval Academy, won from McMalans, McGill.

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